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CSX Trains 100 Hudson Valley-Area First Responders on Mobile Emergency-Response Tool

CORNWALL, New York – September 15, 2015 – CSX, one of America’s premier transportation companies, today is training approximately 100 Hudson Valley-area firefighters and other first responders on the use of a new mobile information tool that provides easy, secure access to real-time information about CSX trains, to help keep first responders and the public safe during rail incidents.

Called “CSX Rail Respond,” the web-based tool is optimized for mobile access from smartphones, tablets and other handheld devices. The system allows first responders to determine the exact contents of any rail car on a CSX train, along with emergency response information and recommendations for protective action distances. CSX recently added location-specific information about nearby sensitive populations and businesses that may need special attention in the event of an incident.

CSX makes CSX Rail Respond available to first-responders in communities across the 23 states it serves. The service is free to first responders, as are all the safety training and response tools CSX provides. Nearly 4,000 first responders are enrolled to use the system, including more than 300 in the state of New York, and more are being added every week.

Kurt W. Hahn, Emergency Manager with the Cornwall Office of Emergency Management, said, “CSX Rail Respond provides real-time access to safety-critical information about the contents of any rail car on CSX’s tracks in Cornwall and the surrounding area. It is a powerful tool that provides information to public-safety personnel as we respond to an incident, helping keep us safe while we work to protect the public.”

John McFall, manager of Emergency Planning & Coordination for CSX, said, “Safety is CSX’s highest priority and this tool helps protect first responders and the public alike in the event of a railroad incident. Our goal is zero accidents, but when an event occurs we want first responders to have the information they need to be safe and effective in responding to the situation confronting them.”

CSX Rail Respond includes the following features:

- Easy, secure access to the critical real-time information you need to keep your team and community safe during a response
- Contact information for the railroad and key partners on CSX's network
- Locomotive data, including fuel status and hazard information;
- Emergency Response Information specific to the contents of the train;
- Protective Action Distances (fire fighter safe zones);
- Placard Search Database (to identify contents based on U.N. hazardous-materials identification numbers);
- Isolation Zone: a tool to recommend the appropriate isolation zone in an emergency, based on factors including commodity type and spill size, with contact information for affected sensitive receptors and businesses;
- Accessible from desktop or any Android, iOS or Windows mobile device or tablet.

CSX provides a wide variety of other training tools and programs for first responders and emergency planners in communities across its network. These include planning tools, tabletop exercises, hands-on training and attendance at special company-sponsored safety education programs at its Railroad Education and Development Institute outside Atlanta, Georgia.

CSX also sponsors tours of the Safety Train to communities across its network, which provides hands-on training to first responders about rail cars, locomotive and the safety features of each. The CSX Safety Train has made more than 20 stops in 2015, including a recent visit to Rockland County, N.Y., where more than 100 trainees participated.

About CSX

CSX, based in Jacksonville, Florida, is a premier transportation company. It provides rail, intermodal and rail-to-truck transload services and solutions to customers across a broad array of markets, including energy, industrial, construction, agricultural, and consumer products. For nearly 190 years, CSX has played a critical role in the nation's economic expansion and industrial development. Its network connects every major metropolitan area in the eastern United States, where nearly two-thirds of the nation's population resides. It also links more than 240 short-line railroads and more than 70 ocean, river and lake ports with major population centers and farming towns alike. More information about CSX Corporation and its subsidiaries is available at www.csx.com. Like us on Facebook (<http://facebook.com/OfficialCSX>) and follow us on Twitter (<http://twitter.com/CSX>).

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